SUBJECT No. 20.

Refund of half the institution fee in civil suits.

Mr. C. Channakesaviah, Chitaldrug taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In cases of compromise of suits before the issues are framed, one-half of the institution see is refunded to the plaintiffs. This concession may be extended to suits which are permitted to be withdrawn before the framing of issues.

Reply of Government.—Not feasible.

SUBJECT No. 21.

Refund of half the value of stamps in second appeals in civil suits.

Messrs. B. Gundu Rao, D. Sreekanta Rao and Gurumanja Wodayar, Devanhalli taluk, and Subba Setti, Devanhalli Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—In second appeals in civil suits, half the value of stamps may be ordered to be refunded, if such appeals are dismissed without a hearing.

Reply of Government.—Not feasible.

SUBJECT No. 22.

Payment of process fee and batta.

Messrs. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, K. Shankaranarayana Rao and Shama Rao, Shimoga taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The rule requiring parties to pay process fee and batta in civil cases within seven days of the order may be altered, and the parties allowed to pay them in time to enable the process department to serve the processes at least a week before the date of hearing.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration.

SUBJECT No. 23.

Suspension of criminal court sentences.

Mr. Javali Rudrappa, Hoskote taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Sentences of imprisonment passed by criminal courts may be ordered to take effect after the third day from the date of the sentence.

Reply of Government.—Not feasible.

SUBJECT No. 24.

Copying paper.

(1) Messrs. Hutchaveere Gowda, Gubbi taluk, Narain Setti, Maddagiri taluk, and Venkatasamaiya, Chamrajnagar taluk.
(2) Messrs. Suryanarayanasetti Arkalgud taluk, and Channakesavaiya, Chitaldrug taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) The new copying sheets which are sold at two annas each have not enough space for the number of words which could be copied according to old rules. A whole sheet will have to be paid for even if only a few words are written upon it. Now the copying charges are twice or even three times what they were before and the parties are put to great loss. Both sides of the new copying sheets may be allowed to be written upon or space provided for more words on the writing side and the minimum and maximum number of words, both English and Kannada, that may be written on each sheet may be determined.

(2) The price of the copying paper may be reduced.

Reply of Government.—(1) and (2) Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 25.

Reduction of copying fees.

Mr. Upadhya Srinivasiengar, Nagamangala taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In Sub-Registrars' offices, copying fees are now levied at the rate of annas 4 per 100 words. They may be reduced to 2 annas per 100 words just as in revenue, magisterial and civil courts.

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration.

SUBJECT No. 26.

Copying fees in the Registration Department.

Mr. N. Venkata Char, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Registration copying fees realised from private parties are credited to Government. This is a hardship to the officials of the department. In all other departments except civil courts,